IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 3, 12-22, 24-43 and 46 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend claims 1, 2, 4-10 and 23 as follows:

Claim 1 (currently amended): A capping assembly engageable with or engaged with a necked container, said <u>capping</u> assembly <u>being or having comprising</u>

a first component in the form of a unitary moulding adapted to define a detachable overcap and at least a skirt, the skirt being adapted to engage or engaging the an exterior of the a neck of a suitable said container,

a second component at least in part located within said first component, and a nozzle component carried through the second component yet moveable relative to the second component such that,

in one relative condition, the non-dispensing condition, the nozzle component together with the surrounding second component, is adapted to provide closure of the mouth of a suitable said container or provides closure of the container, and

in another condition, the dispensing condition, of the nozzle component relative to the second component, is adapted to provide for such a suitable said container, or provides for the container, a liquid egress passageway,

and wherein the second component and the nozzle component, when in the non-dispensing condition, define together with the first component a fully

enclosed space about part of said nozzle component,

said first component including a tear strip or other frangible feature whereby the detachable overcap is separated from the skirt thereby to allow access to a part of said nozzle component presenting to said closed space..

Claim 2 (currently amended): The capping assembly of claim 1, wherein said skirt of the first component is internally threaded as the adaptation to engage or the means by which it is engaged with the exterior of the neck of a suitable said container.

Claim 3 (cancelled)

Claim 4 (currently amended): The assembly of claim 1 whereby, wherein when not in the non-dispensing condition the nozzle component is to be or is above a disc seal of the a mouth of a the container to which it is associated.

Claim 5 (currently amended): The assembly of claim 1, wherein in the non-dispensing condition, a disc seal for a the container for which the assembly is adapted is carried below the nozzle component and the second component within the first component.

Claim 6 (currently amended): The assembly of claim 5, wherein an interference fit with the first component provides peripheral releasable retention of the disc seal.

Claim 7 (currently amended): The assembly on claim 4, wherein a lower periphery of the second component provides or can provide an annular seal on said disc seal.

Claim 8 (currently amended): The assembly as claimed in claim 1, wherein said detachable overcap, once separated from at least the skirt a remainder of the first component is adapted to engage with said second component or skirt.

Claim 9 (currently amended): The assembly of claim 8, wherein said overcap is adapted to engage with the second component whereby the second component and the nozzle component, when in the non-dispensing condition, define together with the overcap a fully enclosed space about part of said nozzle component.

Claim 10 (currently amended): The assembly of claim 1, wherein the skirt has a shoulder peripherally overlapping lapping as a hold down of a complementary shoulder of the second component.

Claim 11 (previously presented): The assembly of claim 1 wherein the first

component unitary moulding defines a tamper evident collar or a tamper band dependent from said skirt and/or as an extension of the skirt.

Claims 12-22 (cancelled)

Claim 23 (currently amended): The closured container assembly comprising or including a necked container closed by a capping assembly of claim 1.

Claims 24-46 (cancelled)